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SUBJECT: DANIEL CHIPENDA OF FNLA REPORTEDLY WANTS TO DEFECT
BACK TO MPLA

1. CLOSE STATE HOUSE ADVISER TO PRES KAUNDA CALLED ME
EARLY JAN 23 TO COME TO STATE HOUSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
UPON ARRIVAL BEFORE 8 A.M., I WAS TOLD KAUNDA HAD JUST
RECEIVED WORD FROM "ONE OF HIS MEN IN LUBUMBASHI" (PROBABLY
AT ZAMBIAN CONGEN THERE) THAT DANIEL CHIPENDA, ONCE A
LIEUTENANT TO MPLA'S AGOSTINO NETO AND WHO DEFECTED TO FNLA
IN EARLY 1975, NOW WANTS TO DEFECT BACK TO MPLA, RETURN TO ZAMBIA
AND PRESENT HIMSELF TO MPLA OFFICE IN LUSAKA.

2. KAUNDA'S ADVISER DESCRIBED CHIPENDA AS "QUISLING
OPPORTUNIST" WHO OBVIOUSLY HAD BEEN WORKED ON BY KGB.
ADVISER THEN ASKED WE PASS THIS MESSAGE TO EMBASSY KINSHASA
WHICH COULD THEN NOTIFY ZAIRIAN AUTHORITIES TO DO THE NECESSARY.
IT OBVIOUS ZAMBIANS DO NOT WANT CHIPENDA BACK HERE BECAUSE
OF THE FAVORABLE PROPAGANDA OPPORTUNITY THIS WOULD GIVE MPLA
AND SOVIETS AT CRITICAL MOMENT IN ANGOLAN WAR. ADVISER
ALSO SAID ZAMBIA AND ZAIRE HAVE WORKED CLOSELY TOGETHER
ON COMMON OBJECTIVES IN ANGOLA AND CHIPENDA'S DEFECTION
THROUGH ZAMBIA AT THIS TIME COULD PRESENT PROBLEMS IN BI-
LATERAL RELATIONS.

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3. ADVISER THEN EXPLAINED THAT ZAMBIA WOULD BE HOSTING VISIT OF KARL BOND, FORMER ZAIRIAN FONMIN, NOW NUMBER TWO IN PARTY STRUCTURE. BOND SCHEDULED ARRIVE LUSAKA AFTERNOON JAN 23, EXPLAINING WHY ZAMBIANS MOST ANXIOUS ZAIRIAN AUTHORITIES BE APPRISED ASAP AND BEFORE BOND LEAVES ZAIRE.

4. FOR KINSHASA. UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OBJECTION, PLEASE CONVEY GIST PARAS 1 AND 2 TO APPROPRIATE ZAIRE AUTHORITIES. WILKOWSKI

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